

Assigned to the 344<sup>th</sup> Judicial District Court

Cause No. 18 DCR0152

Bond Amount: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

The State of Texas vs. **Zena Collins Stephens**

Count I: Felony Offense (SJF): Tampering with a Governmental Record - Penal Code Sec. 37.10

Count II: Misdemeanor Offense (A): Accepting a Cash Contribution exceeding \$100 - Election Code Sec. 253.033

Count III: Misdemeanor Offense (A): Accepting a Cash Contribution exceeding \$100 - Election Code Sec. 253.033

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TRUE BILL OF INDICTMENT

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IN THE NAME AND BY AUTHORITY OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

THE GRAND JURY, duly selected, organized, sworn and impaneled as such for the County of Chambers, State of Texas, at the JANUARY term, A.D. 2018, of the 344<sup>th</sup> Judicial District Court for said County, upon their oaths do present in and to said Court that,

**COUNT I**

on or about the 11th day of October, 2016 in Jefferson County, Texas, a county adjoining Chambers County, Texas, and before the presentment of this indictment, Zena Collins Stephens, with intent to defraud or harm another, namely: the Jefferson County Clerk or Jefferson County or the citizens of Jefferson County, Zena Collins Stephens did present or use a record or document, namely: a Candidate / Officeholder Campaign Finance Report, by reporting a \$5,000.00 individual cash contribution in the political contributions of \$50.00 or less section of said Report, with knowledge of its falsity and with intent that it be taken as a genuine governmental record,

**COUNT II**

on or about and between the 23rd day of May, 2016 and the 25<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2016 in Jefferson County, Texas, a county adjoining Chambers County, Texas, and before the presentment of this indictment, Zena Collins Stephens, while a candidate, did then and there, knowingly accept from a contributor, namely: Larry Tillery, in a reporting period a political contribution in cash that exceeded \$100, namely: \$1,000.00 in cash,

**COUNT III**

on or about and between the 27<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2016 and the 28<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2016 in Jefferson County, Texas, a county adjoining Chambers County, Texas, and before the presentment of this indictment, Zena Collins Stephens, while a candidate, did then and there, knowingly accept from a contributor, namely: Larry Tillery, in a reporting period a political contribution in cash that exceeded \$100, namely: \$5,000.00 in cash,

AGAINST THE PEACE AND DIGNITY OF THE STATE.

THIS THE 12<sup>th</sup> DAY OF April  
A.D. 20 18 AT 5:40 O'CLOCK P M  
PATTI L. HENRY  
DISTRICT CLERK, CHAMBERS COUNTY, TEXAS  
BY [Signature] DEPUTY

Rose Bolt

FOREMAN OF THE GRAND JURY

4-26-18

DATE

WITNESSES:

1. Brad Weatherford, Texas Ranger
2. Edward Keller
3. Marcia Guillory
4. Craig Andress